

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing SB 990 which would specify the basis of cleanup standards to be used at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory property in Ventura County, California. The cleanup of this property is needed to protect the health of residents in adjacent communities.

The Boeing Company (Boeing) has signed, together with the California Environmental Protection Agency and the Resources Agency, a Letter of Intent (LOI) regarding the transfer of the property to the State, after extensive cleanup and at no cost to the State, for park, recreational or open-space use. The LOI outlines the elements of a legally binding land transfer agreement, to be developed and entered into by Boeing and the State, which would include the following key requirements:

- 1) Boeing would be required to clean up the Santa Susana Field Laboratory Property, prior to transfer to the State, to levels which would be acceptable for residential use and which would protect individuals living in the vicinity of the property; and
- 2) The property could not be used in the future for residential, agricultural, commercial, industrial or other uses, except for park, recreational or open-space uses.

To make this transfer possible, the author has agreed to carry clean-up legislation in 2008 to allow the transfer to the State of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory property after property cleanup under the terms of a written agreement that makes the elements of the LOI legally binding.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger